PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKETING DEPARTMENT

NOTICE OF FILING AND HEARING

DOCKET NO. 2009-500-C

Georgia Business Net Telecommunications, LLC ("GABN Tel" or "Applicant") has filed with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") an Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity, pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. §58-9-280(B), authorizing Applicant to provide facilities-based and resold local exchange and intrastate, interexchange telecommunications and data communications services within the State of South Carolina. The Applicant requests that the Commission regulate its local exchange telecommunications services in accordance with the principles and procedures established for flexible regulation in Order No. 1998-165 in Docket No. 1997-467-C. In addition, pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. §58-9-585, the Applicant requests that its long distance service offerings be regulated in accordance with procedures established for alternative regulation pursuant to Order Nos. 1995-1734 and 1996-55 in Docket No. 1995-661-C, and as modified by Order No. 2001-997 in Docket No. 2000-407-C.

A copy of the Company's entire Application can be found on the Commission's website at www.psc.sc.gov under Docket No. 2009-500-C. A copy of the Application is also available from John J. Pringle, Jr., Esquire, Ellis, Lawhorne & Sims, P.A. P.O. Box 2285, Columbia, South Carolina, 29202.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE a hearing on the above matter has been scheduled to begin at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, March 8, 2010, before Hearing Examiner David Butler, Esquire, in the Commission's Law Library at 101 Executive Center Drive, Saluda Building, Columbia, South Carolina 29210.

PLEASE BE ADVISED that pursuant to South Carolina Code of Laws – Section 58-9-280, as amended, the Commission will invoke the 120-day period allowed for consideration of this matter.

Any person who wishes to participate in this matter, as a party of record with the right of cross-examination, should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure on or before January 19, 2010, and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. Please include an email address for receipt of future Commission correspondence in the Petition to Intervene. *Please refer to Docket No. 2009-500-C.*

Any person who wishes to testify and present evidence at the hearing should notify the Docketing Department, in writing, at the address below, the Office of Regulatory Staff at 1401 Main Street, Suite 900, Columbia, South Carolina 29201, and John J. Pringle, Jr., Esquire, at the above address, on or before **January 19, 2010**, and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. *Please refer to Docket No. 2009-500-C.*

Any person who wishes to be notified of any change in the hearing, but does not wish to present testimony or be a party of record, may do so by notifying the Docketing Department, in writing, at the address below on or before **January 19**, **2010**. *Please refer to Docket No. 2009-500-C*.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: Any person who wishes to have his or her comments considered as part of the official record of this proceeding <u>MUST</u> present such comments, in person, to the Commission during the hearing.

Persons seeking information about the Commission's Procedures should contact the Commission at (803) 896-5100.

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